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Town Officers for 1940-1941

Moderator

HAROLD H. WILKINS

Selectmen

ERNEST H. PEASLEE ASHTON L. MARTIN
RALPH C. BILLS

School Board

RALPH P. CURRIER ARTHUR L. UNDERWOOD
ALICE O. SAWYER

Town Treasurer

Z. B. KEMP

Tax Collector

HIRAM R. ELLIOTT

Town Clerk

Z. B. KEMP

Road Agent

FRED H. WILLARD

Auditors

M. D. CLARK SUMNER F. MERRILL

Supervisors of the Check List

F. W. BROWN H. R. ELLIOTT
W. A. PROCTOR

Trustees of Trust Funds

H. H. WILKINS C. W. GOING
F. W. BROWN

Firewards

ASHTON L. MARTIN

M. F. GOODALE

ARTHUR L. DANIELS

Forest Fire Warden

ASHTON L. MARTIN

Sexton of Cemeteries

CLARENCE H. HAGAR

Constable

CHARLES H. WETHERBEE

Surveyor of Wood, Bark and Lumber

FRED W. HUBBARD

Tree Warden

A. B. HUBLEY

Health Officer

CHARLES H. WETHERBEE

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL MEETING

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Amherst in the County of Hillsborough, in said state, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Amherst, on Tuesday, the eleventh day of March next, at eight o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

1 To choose all the necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

2 To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

3 To see if the town will vote to allow the usual discount on taxes: 3 per cent. to July 1st, and 2 per cent. to August 1st.

4 To see if the town will vote to give the Town Treasurer authority to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

5 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$831.50; State to give \$3325.99 for classified road improvement.

6 To see if the town will vote to receive State Aid; the State to pay \$1788.00, the town to pay \$1788.00. Must be expended on Mont Vernon or Baboosic road. The State will not co-operate on both Article 5 and 6.

7 To see if the town will vote to give the Selectmen authority to move the street light from Depot street to cor. Court House rd. and new state rd. at Roy Parkers.

8 To see what action the town will take in regard to a heating plant for Town Hall and vote to raise and appropriate money for same.

9 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$325.00 balance on a steel snow plow and wing that has been hired this last winter.

10 To see if the town will vote to close road, subject to gate and bars, leading by E. E. Fullers toward Ponemah Hotel.

11 To see what action the town will take in regard to the following petition: We the undersigned citizens of Amherst do hereby request for the beauty and safety of the town, take action at once to remove or do away with

the small cross roads on the green between the two roads from the Sq. to Spaldings, and to extend Davis Lane to the tarred road, and to vote to raise and appropriate money for the same.

12 To see if the town will vote to discontinue the dirt road from Frank Richardson's by B. G. Bundy place.

13 By petition: To see if the town will vote to put the road known as the Grove road in a safe and passable condition at Baboosic Lake and vote to raise and appropriate money for the same.

14 To see what action the town will take in regard to moving the Souhegan Grange sign on the Town Hall.

15 By Petition: To see if the town will vote to put Lake Street and Lake Front right of way in a safe and passable condition and to vote to raise and appropriate money for the same.

16 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10.00 to install a street light at Baboosic Lake on Lake front.

17 To see what action the town will take in regard to painting and repairing the steel bridge at Curriers, and vote to raise and appropriate money for the same.

18 To hear the final report of the Zoning committee and to see what action the town will take in relation thereto.

19 To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this twenty-first day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-one.

ERNEST H. PEASLEE,
ASHTON L. MARTIN,
RALPH C. BILLS,

Selectmen of Amherst

NON-TAXABLE PROPERTY

Baptist Church	\$ 5,000 00
Baptist Parsonage	1,500 00
Congregational Church	15,000 00
Congregational Parsonage	3,500 00
Congregational Chapel and Annex	2,000 00
Town Hall	10,000 00
Fire Engine House	2,000 00
Fire Apparatus	4,000 00
Town Library	7,500 00
Town Library Contents	4,000 00
Schoolhouse, District No. 1	15,000 00
Clark School	7,000 00
Schoolhouse, District No. 3	1,500 00

DETAILS OF INVENTORY OF TOWN

Land and buildings	\$1,164,456 00
Horses, 54	5,975 00
Asses and mules, 2	200 00
Cows, 488	27,015 00
Neat stock, 62	2,455 00
Oxen, 2	150 00
Hogs, 20	200 00
Fowls, 10,655	9,589 50
Boats, 2	500 00
Gasoline and pumps	1,175 00
Stock in trade	10,850 00
	\$1,222,565 50
Exemptions to veterans	\$29,680 00
Amount of taxes	\$45,307 25
Tax rate	\$3 80
School rate	\$1 21

INVENTORY OF TOWN OF AMHERST

Inventory	\$1,222,565 50
Exemption to veterans	29,680 00
	\$1,192,885 50
Tax rate, \$3.80	
School rate, \$1.21	
Property tax	\$45,307 25
Poll tax	1,284 00
National Bank stock tax	40 00
Amount raised by direct tax	\$46,631 25

INCOME FROM OTHER SOURCES

State:

Interest and dividends	\$ 1,180 95
Insurance tax	4 88
Railroad tax	69 81
Savings bank tax	521 76
Forest fires	14 15
Bounties	7 40
Motor vehicle permits	1,824 38
Interest	403 30
Dog licenses	429 74
Sunday licenses	30 00
Temporary loans	11,000 00
Use of grass blanket	26 00
Refund from Herbert Whitney	11 72
Sale of land at Ponemah	100 00
Sale of cemetery lots	45 00
Rent of town hall	278 00
Fisk highway fund	35 69
Trustees of trust funds	575 00
School tax from New Boston	99 45

School tax from Mont Vernon	81 07
Accrued interest	31 40
Refund from Fred Willard	5 50
Use of grader	607 61
Refund from A. H. LeFrancois on plow	59 00
Use of fire truck	15 50
B. and M. brush fire	14 99
Plowing cemetery	50
Filing fees	8 00
Summons charges	39 40
	\$17,520 20

ESTIMATED EXPENSES

	Expended 1940-1941	Estimates 1941-1942
Town officers' salaries	\$1300 00	\$1300 00
Town officers' expenses	732 42	600 00
Election and registration	242 25	100 00
Town hall	506 66	400 00
Police department	281 75	300 00
Fire department	1499 00	1600 00
Spraying	100 00	150 00
Auto permit fees	134 25	135 00
Bounties	22 00	
Damage by dogs	67 72	
Health department	29 55	35 00
Vital statistics	39 75	35 00
Town dump	13 10	25 00
Town maintenance	4554 95	4200 00
Snow	3699 65	2500 00
T. R. A.	961 54	831 50
Oiling	1957 70	2000 00
Street lights	1251 83	1300 00

General expense of		
highway department	99 99	100 00
Highway bill for Fred Willard	5 50	
Library	600 00	600 00
Old age assistance	974 54	1200 00
Town aid	1633 30	1500 00
Memorial Day	93 34	100 00
Soldiers' aid	245 60	200 00
Parks and playgrounds	294 97	350 00
Cemeteries	629 21	700 00
Taxes bought by town	3253 83	
Trustees of trust funds	575 00	
Interest	423 39	450 00
Special appropriation for		
water hole	99 40	
Special appropriation for		
grader	2400 00	
Town clock	25 00	25 00
Temporary loans	11000 00	
Town debt	1500 00	1500 00
County tax	10326 34	9873 29
Schools	13760 43	14419 00
Refund on taxes	9 50	
	\$65,348 46	\$46,528 79

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

For the Year Ending January 31, 1941

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1940	\$ 2,779 18
H. R. Elliott, Collector:	
1935 taxes	8 45
1936 taxes	8 00
1937 taxes	63 30
1938 taxes	55 81
1939 taxes	9,832 57
1940 taxes	33,712 81
Interest	389 81
Summons charges	39 40
Taxes on property deeded to the town, 1934 to 1939 inclusive	837 34
1933 taxes redeemed	44 15
1934 taxes redeemed	54 91
1935 taxes redeemed	48 10
1936 taxes redeemed	147 34
1937 taxes redeemed	131 66
1938 taxes redeemed	573 60
1939 taxes redeemed	495 45
Interest on taxes	44 89
Z. B. Kemp, Town Clerk:	
1939 auto permits	16 10
1940 auto permits	1,744 18
1941 auto permits	64 10
Dog licenses	429 74
Sunday licenses	30 00
State Treasurer:	
Bounties	7 40
Forest fires	14 15
Insurance tax	4 88
Railroad tax	69 81
Savings Bank tax	521 76
Interest and dividends	1,180 95

Souhegan National Bank, temporary loans	11,000 00
A. D. and V. M. Consigli, sale of land	100 00
C. H. Wetherbee, hall rent	128 00
Souhegan Grange No. 10, hall rent for 1940	75 00
Amherst Men's Club, hall rent for 1940	75 00
Gladys H. Warren, perm. care of cemetery lot	125 00
Anna S. Chase, perm. care of cem. lot	200 00
Anna S. Chase, perm. care of cem. lot	100 00
C. H. Hagar, Sexton:	
Sale of lot to R. B. Hamblett	15 00
Sale of lot to H. H. Wilkins	30 00
Use of grass blanket	26 00
A. L. Martin, fire chief, use of fire truck	15 50
H. H. Wilkins, filing fee for moderator	1 00
H. R. Elliott, filing fee for supervisor	1 00
W. A. Proctor, filing fee for supervisor	1 00
F. W. Brown, filing fee for supervisor	1 00
R. C. Bills, filing fee for Rep. to G. Court	2 00
E. P. Patterson, filing fee for Rep. to G. Court	2 00
Herbert S. Whitney, refund of town aid	11 72
F. H. Willard, Road Agent:	
refund of overpayment	5 50
Rental of town grader	607 61
On account LeFrancois plow	59 00
Plowing in cemetery	50
B. and M. Railroad, forest fire	14 99
Trustees of Trust Funds, Fiske highway fund	35 69
Town of New Boston, school tax for 1940	99 45
Town of Mont Vernon, school tax for 1940	81 07
Robert B. Hamblett, perm. care lot of G. B. Small	150 00
Total Receipts	\$66,312 87

PAYMENTS

Paid out by orders of Selectmen	\$65,348 46
Balance of cash on hand in Treasury	
February 1, 1941	964 41
Total	\$66,312 87

RECAPITULATION

Liabilities

Due:

The Souhegan National Bank and others,	
24 serial notes of \$500.00 each	\$12,000 00
Amherst School District, balance of	
appropriation for 1940	6,000 00
Amherst School Dist., dog tax for 1940	362 02
Total	\$18,362 02

Assets

Due from State Treas. for bounties of 1940	\$ 22 00
Cash on hand in Treas., Feb. 1, 1941	964 41
Uncollected taxes 1936	30 00
Uncollected taxes 1937	178 80
Uncollected taxes 1938	267 62
Uncollected taxes 1939	267 38
Uncollected taxes 1940 (property	
\$11,869.99, poll \$464.00)	12,333 99
Taxes bought by town and not	
yet redeemed:	
1932	91 37
1933	29 20
1934	76 88
1935	209 15
1936	360 80
1937	562 21
1938	993 82
1939	1,377 22
Total	\$17,764 85

Net Town Indebtedness	597 17
Total	\$18,362 02
	Z. B. KEMP,
	Town Treasurer.

Amherst, N. H., February 10, 1941.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

MALCOLM D. CLARK,
SUMNER F. MERRILL,
Auditors for Town of Amherst.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN**Town Officers' Salaries:**

Appropriation \$1315.00

Expended:

E. H. Peaslee, selectman	\$250 00
A. L. Martin, selectman	250 00
R. C. Bills, selectman	250 00
H. R. Elliott, tax collector	200 00
Z. B. Kemp, town clerk	150 00
Z. B. Kemp, town treasurer	150 00
Z. B. Kemp, clerk of trust funds	50 00

 \$1300 00
Town Officers' Expenses:

Appropriation \$629.00

Expended:

Alice K. Peaslee, clerical work	\$ 22 00
Z. B. Kemp, telephone	33 00
Z. B. Kemp, drawing deed	1 00
Z. B. Kemp, supplies	1 10
Z. B. Kemp, expenses to town clerks' meeting	9 25
Vincent P. Brine, supplies	87 81
Cabinet Press, notices	12 88
The Colonial Press	214 75
Fred Hubbard, surveying wood	1 00
W. A. Proctor, bonds	15 00
A. L. Keyes Agency Inc., bonds	25 00
H. R. Elliott, making deed	1 00
H. R. Elliott, telephone	9 00
H. R. Elliott, expenses to tax collectors' meeting	5 00
H. R. Elliott, supplies	11 75
Edson C. Eastman, supplies	62 26
R. H. Llewellyn Co., labor on typewriter	2 75
National Automobile Dealers' Association Guide	8 00

Ralph C. Bills, use of car	22 00
Ashton L. Martin, use of car	8 00
Ernest H. Peaslee, tel. calls	55
Ernest H. Peaslee, register- ing deed	1 25
Ernest H. Peaslee, Thomas Har- vell for labor	2 00
Charles Pherson, moving safe	2 00
Brown & Saltmarsh, supplies	3 50
Assoc. of N. H. Assessors, dues	4 00
Souhegan National Bank, supplies	8 71
J. J. Connell, check stamper	50 00
Wilfred J. Boisclair, furnishing names	80
Rotch Insurance Agency, bonds	25 00
Branham Printing Co., supplies	2 00
Donat Corriveau, recording deeds	79 76
Charles F. Woollett & Son	2 40
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., phone calls	2 90

\$737 42

Election and Registration:

Appropriation \$200.00

Harold H. Wilkins, moderator	\$12 00
James F. Hodgson, moderator pro tem	6 00
Harold H. Wilkins, Jr., mod- erator's asst.	5 00
F. W. Brown, supervis. check list	35 00
H. R. Elliott, super. check list	35 00
W. A. Proctor, super. check list	35 00
C. H. Wetherbee, officer	10 00
H. R. Locke, ballot clerk	15 00
Dwight Brown, ballot clerk	10 00
Frank Richardson, asst. clerk	5 00
Allen D. Howard, ballot clerk	10 00
L. E. Clark, asst. clerk	10 00
Horton S. Allen, labor and equipment	6 00

Thomas W. Harvell, ballot clerk	5 00
R. G. Couman, ballot clerk	5 00
Cecil C. Perkins, ballot clerk	5 00
The Colonial Press, printing	33 25

\$242 25

Town Hall:

Appropriation \$400.00

C. H. Wetherbee, janitor	\$178 50
Public Service Co., lights	64 64
Chas. F. Woollett & Son, supplies	17 92
H. R. Elliott, supplies	2 55
Clark's Garage, plowing parking space	11 00
Harold Gault, labor	3 35
Roy S. Parker, wood	10 00
Guy Nelson, wood	27 00
Converse & Peaslee, slabs	4 00
E. H. Peaslee, wood	8 50
Joseph Gouet, wood	13 00
John Young, trucking and drawing wood	9 00
Sloan Calker and Waterproofers, fixing roof	75 00
A. L. Martin, labor	12 20
John Elliott, cleaning vaults	3 00
Men's Club, rent of piano	5 00
Rotch Insurance Agency, ins.	50 00
Horton S. Allen, stage scenery braces	12 00

\$506 66

Credit:

Rent of town hall, \$278.00

Police Department:

Appropriation \$350.00

Expended:

C. H. Wetherbee, services	\$ 66 00
C. H. Wetherbee, wayfarers	29 75

C. H. Wetherbee, dances at lake 146 00

Services for Fourth of July:

Harry Boutelle, spec. officer 5 00

Frank Richardson, spec. officer 7 00

Frank Martin, spec. officer 5 00

George Grassett, spec. officer 7 00

Kenneth Grassett, spec. officer 7 00

Millard Goodale, spec. officer 7 00

C. H. Wetherbee, mileage 2 00

\$281 75

Fire Department:

Appropriation \$1500.00

Expended:

A. L. Martin, fire chief \$ 25 00

A. L. Martin, forest fire warden 25 00

M. F. Goodale, fire warden 15 00

A. L. Daniels, fire warden 15 00

Walter Ryan, janitor 75 00

Lawrence Engine Co., fire-
men's salaries 200 00

Milford Water Works, 2 hydrants 40 00

Public Service Co., lights 51 08

N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone 39 00

Hazeltine & Caldwell, coal 54 01

Lawrence Engine Co., insurance
on firemen 129 00

William A. Proctor, insurance 51 42

Rotch Ins. Agency, insurance 76 37

H. R. Locke, water supply 1939 20 00

H. R. Locke, water supply 1940 20 00

Clark's Garage, gasoline and
supplies 47 11

M. F. Goodale, gasoline, supplies 15 51

Bob's Auto Services, gasoline
and supplies 15 04

Jesse Grant, gasoline 1 20

Mrs. H. C. Gault, supplies
and labor 8 08

Chas. F. Woollett & Son, supplies	44	96	
A. L. Martin, supplies bought			
and labor	59	70	
H. R. Locke, supplies		76	
Frank Hartshorn Co., lumber	3	30	
Charles O. Smith, cutting tree			
at lake	1	00	
Red Comet Inc., supplies	4	25	
Knight and Thomas, supplies	11	22	
Farrar Co., supplies	7	85	
American March Pump Inc.,			
supplies	16	57	
American La France, supplies	19	25	
A. L. Martin, paid out for			
brush and grass fires	58	77	
A. L. Martin, paid out for			
chimney fires	28	00	
A. L. Martin, paid out for			
house fires	60	05	
Eureka Fire Hose, supplies	215	60	
Frank Cutter, shoveling snow	2	40	
Harry Boutelle, shoveling snow	1	00	
Russell Miles, shoveling snow	2	00	
Teddie Parker, shoveling snow		70	
Frank Martin, shoveling snow	5	60	
R. B. Locke, shoveling snow	8	00	
Francis Duval, shoveling snow	8	00	
William Crooker, shoveling snow	8	80	
A. L. Martin, shoveling snow	8	40	
			\$1499 00

Credits:

A. L. Martin	\$15 50
State Treasurer	14 15
B. and M. R. R.	14 99

\$44 64

Town Aid:

Appropriation \$1000.00

Expended:

For Florence Grant:

James S. Black, M.D., medical care	\$162 00	
Nashua Hospital Assoc., medical care	101 25	
Daniel J. Sullivan, medical care	1 50	
H. R. Elliott, goods	100 73	
		\$365 48

For Mrs. Austin Merrill:

Standard Oil Co., oil	\$ 37 50	
Chas. F. Woollett & Son, goods	105 24	
R. G. Sherman, wood	19 00	
		\$161 74

For Arthur A. Clark:

Converse & Peaslee, slabs	\$ 7 25	
Albert H. LaFrancois, drawing slabs	6 00	
H. R. Elliott, trucking slabs	1 50	
John Young, trucking slabs	1 50	
Stockwell Bros, trucking slabs	3 75	
Chas. F. Woollett & Son, goods	152 99	
Home Owners' Loan Ass., rent	130 27	
		\$303 26

For Robert Sanford:

Stockwell Bros., trucking slabs	\$ 3 75	
H. R. Elliott, goods	107 50	
John Young, trucking slabs	1 50	
Fred H. Willard, wood	4 00	
Clarence L. Trow, rent	78 00	
Converse & Peaslee, slabs	8 75	
C. J. Woods, goods	5 00	
		\$208 50

For Charles W. Michaud:

Harrie E. Powers, M.D., medical care	\$50 00	
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H. R. Elliott, goods	36 25	
R. G. Sherman, wood	24 00	
A. L. Martin, trip to Grasmere	3 00	
A. H. LaFrancois, trip to Grasmere	2 50	
Fred H. Willard, trip to Grasmere	2 50	
Clark's Garage, trip to Grasmere	3 00	
Converse & Peaslee, slabs	1 00	
		\$122 25

For Lillian Newton:

H. R. Elliott, goods	\$84 62	
Chas. H. Colby, rent	3 00	
Converse & Peaslee, slabs	5 00	
E. H. Peaslee, slabs	4 50	
		\$97 12

For Clarence Frost Family:

H. R. Elliott, goods	\$40 80	
Chas. F. Woollett & Son, goods	11 68	
E. H. Peaslee, slabs	2 25	
Fred H. Willard, wood	8 00	
Boston Shoe Store, shoes	2 98	
		\$65 71

For Eddie Ballou:

Hillsborough Co. Treas., care and board	\$82 82	
A. L. Martin, trip to Grasmere	3 00	
Oscar Burns, M.D., medical care	1 50	
		\$87 32

For Joseph Barrett:

H. R. Elliott, goods	\$102 40
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For Charles O. Smith:

C. F. Woollett & Son, goods	\$70 40
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For Roland Goodwin:

H. R. Elliott, goods	\$6 00	
Converse & Peaslee, slabs	1 00	
Oscar Burns, M.D., medical care	1 50	
		\$8 50

For Hubert Whitney:

C. H. Woollett & Son	\$11 72
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Credit \$11.72

For Loren Hanson:

C. H. Woollett & Son, goods	\$10 00
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For Freddy Laurence:

Raymond Marcotte, M.D., medical care	\$3 00
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For Mrs. Ralph Plummer:

Clark's Garage, trip to Chestnut Hill	\$1 00
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Paid Chas. Pherson for filing saws for welfare	\$ 50
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For Charles O. Smith:

To 6 days work at \$2.40 per day	\$14 40
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Credit for 1058 hours of labor

Total Town Aid Payments	\$1633 30
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Dog Damage:

Expended:

C. H. Wetherbee, dog officer	\$51 80
James P. Melzer Est., supplies	8 12
Vincent P. Brine, supplies	3 00
Meric G. Arnold, pullets killed	4 80
	\$67 72

Health Department:

Appropriation \$25.00

Expended:

C. H. Wetherbee, health officer	\$21 00
Coleman's Pharmacy, supplies	1 05
Cabinet Press, signs	50
Oscar Burns, M.D., supplies	7 00
	\$29 55

Bounties:

Expended:

Roy Wheeler	\$12 80
A. L. Martin	7 60
E. H. Peaslee	1 40

Alida Bartlett	20	
		\$22 00

Vital Statistics:

Appropriation \$25.00

Expended:

Z. B. Kemp	\$33 50	
Clifford Howland, M.D.	25	
H. S. Hutchinson, M.D.	25	
F. L. Fletcher, M.D.	50	
Oscar Burns, M.D.	2 50	
H. H. Dearborn, M.D.	75	
Samuel Fraser, M.D.	25	
John E. LeBosquet	25	
Robert Quirk	25	
Albert W. Derbyshire	25	
John J. Belluscio	25	
Amos F. Chase	50	
W. D. Armitage	25	
		\$39 75

Town Maintenance:

Appropriation \$4000.00

Fisk Highway Fund 35.69

Expended:

Fred H. Willard	\$4554 95
Credit: Rental of grader, \$523.61	
Paid by the town to Standard Oil	
Oil Co., for the Highway Dept.	\$5 50
Refund paid by Fred H. Willard	
to town for the \$5.50	

Oiling:

Appropriation \$2000.00

Expended:

Fred H. Willard	\$1957 70
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Snow:

Appropriation \$2500.00

Expended:

Fred H. Willard	\$3699 65
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Credit:

Rental of grader	\$84.00
A. LeFrancois	\$59.00

T. R. A.:

Appropriation \$961.52

Expended:

Treas. State of N. H.	\$480 78	
Treas. State of N. H.	\$480 76	
		\$961 54

General Expense:

Appropriation \$100.00

Expended:

N. H. Explosive Co., blade	\$10 00	
C. F. Woollett & Son, supplies	89 99	
		\$99 99

Library:

Appropriation \$600.00

Expended:

W. T. Whittle, Treas.	\$500 00	
Dorothy Davis, Treas.	100 00	
		\$600 00

Street Lights:

Expended:

Amherst Village	\$1066 00	
Baboosic Lake	185 83	
		\$1251 83

Old Age Assistance:

Expended:

Treas. State of N. H. Public Welfare	\$974 54
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Memorial Day:

Appropriation \$100.00

Expended:

Ricciardi-Hartshorn Drum Corps	\$40 00
Geo. W. Riddle, sound system	5 00
Rev. Wm. S. Gooch, speaker	10 00
Rodney C. Woodman, flowers	18 00
John S. Spaulding Camp, cartridges	3 00

C. F. Woollett & Son, supplies	12 34	
F. F. Richardson, labor and supplies	5 00	
		\$93 34

Soldiers' Aid:

Appropriation \$100.00

Expended:

H. R. Elliott, goods	\$148 20	
C. F. Woollett & Son, goods	39 90	
James Doyle, rent	50 00	
Converse & Peaslee, slabs	2 00	
Henry H. Dearborn, M.D., medical care	1 50	
Fred H. Willard, wood	4 00	
		\$245 60

Credit for 468 hours of labor

Parks and Playgrounds:

Appropriation \$300.00

Expended:

Harold Hancock, labor	\$278 35	
Fred H. Willard, cutting trees	14 50	
C. F. Woollett & Son, supplies	1 12	
A. L. Martin, labor	1 00	
		\$294 97

Cemeteries:

Appropriation \$600.00

Expended:

C. H. Hagar	\$629 21
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Credits:

Use of grass blanket	\$26.00
Sale of cemetery lots	45.00

Taxes Bought by Town:

Expended:

H. R. Elliott, tax collector	\$3058 73	
H. R. Elliott, expenses	195 10	
		\$3253 83

Town Clock:

Appropriation \$25.00

Expended:

Charles Pherson, care of clock	\$25 00
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Interest:

Appropriation \$450.00

Expended:

Souhegan National Bank	\$303 39	
Ashton L. Martin	22 50	
Harlan F. Bradford	30 00	
J. A. and M. E. Crawford	22 50	
Elizabeth M. Proctor	15 00	
Harriet C. Came	30 00	
		\$423 39

Long Term Notes:

Expended:

Ashton L. Martin	\$1500 00
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Temporary Loans:

Expended:

Souhegan National Bank	\$11,000 00
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Auto Permit Fees:

Appropriation \$140.00

Expended:

Z. B. Kemp	\$134 25
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County Tax:

Appropriation \$10,326.34

Expended:

Treas. Hillsborough County	\$10,326 34
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Trustees of Trust Funds:

Expended:

George Gilbert Small	\$150 00	
Levi Hartshorn	125 00	
Coggin and Keyes	200 00	
Luther and John Coggin	100 00	
		\$575 00

Special Appropriation, Water Hole:

Appropriation \$100.00

Expended:

A. H. Todd, gas shovel	\$80 00	
Harold Bartlett, labor	3 00	
William B. Crooker, labor	4 80	
Z. B. Kemp, services	1 00	
A. L. Martin, labor and supplies	10 60	
		\$99 40

Special Appropriation, Town Dump:

Appropriation \$50.00

Expended:

Fred H. Willard	\$13 10
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Special Appropriation for Spraying:

Appropriation \$100.00

Expended:

Bartlett Tree Expert Co.	\$100 00
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Special Appropriation for Grader:

Appropriation \$2400.00

Expended:

R. C. Hazelton Co., grader	\$2400 00
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Schools:

Appropriation \$14,419.55

Expended:

School District	\$13,760 43
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Refund on Taxes:

Expended:

Earl, Everett and Perley Trow	\$9 50
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Total Payments	\$65,348 46
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Amherst, N. H., February 10, 1941.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

MALCOLM D. CLARK,
SUMNER F. MERRILL,
Auditors for Town of Amherst.

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

For Year Ending January 31, 1941

1940 TAXES

To amount of warrant:		
Property tax	\$45,307	25
Poll taxes	1,284	00
Bank tax	40	00
		\$46,631 25
To extra taxes collected		55 00
To interest collected		4 56
To summons charges collected		14 20
		\$46,705 01
By paid treasurer, taxes	\$33,712	81
Interest	4	56
Summons charges	14	20
By discount on taxes paid		
before Aug. 1	501	50
By abatements	137	95
By uncollected property taxes	11,869	99
By uncollected poll taxes	464	00
		\$46,705 01

1939 TAXES

February 1, 1940:		
To amount uncollected	\$10,105	48
To extra collections		
Interest	376	33
Summons charges	23	00
Taxes	32	00
		\$10,536 81
By paid treasurer, taxes	\$9832	57
Interest	376	33
Summons charges	23	00
By abatements	37	53
By uncollected property tax	193	38
By uncollected poll taxes	74	00
		\$10,536 81

1938 TAXES

February 1, 1940:

To amount uncollected	\$345 43	
To extra collections		
Interest	5 67	
Summons charges	1 20	
		\$352 30
By paid treasurer, taxes	\$55 81	
Interest	5 67	
Summons charges	1 20	
By abatements	22 00	
By uncollected		
Property taxes	207 62	
Poll taxes	60 00	
		\$352 30

1937 TAXES

To amount uncollected	\$265 60	
To extra collections		
Interest	2 15	
Summons charges	60	
		\$268 35
By paid treasurer, taxes	\$63 30	
Interest	2 15	
Summons charges	60	
By abatements	23 50	
By uncollected		
Property taxes	140 80	
Poll taxes	38 00	
		\$268 35

1936 TAXES

February 1, 1940:

To amount uncollected	\$46 00	
To extra collections		
Interest	1 10	
Summons charges	40	
		\$47 50

By paid treasurer, taxes	\$ 8 00	
Interest	1 10	
Summons charges	40	
By abatements	8 00	
By uncollected poll taxes	30 00	
		\$47 50

1935 TAXES

February 1, 1940:		
To amount uncollected		\$33 00
By paid treasurer	\$ 8 45	
By abatements	24 55	
		\$33 00

INTEREST AND SUMMONS CHARGES ACCOUNT

To interest collected	\$434 70	
To summons charges collected	39 40	
		\$474 10
By paid treasurer		\$474 10

REDEEMED TAXES

To collected from 1933 list	\$ 44 15	
To collected from 1934 list	54 91	
To collected from 1935 list	48 10	
To collected from 1936 list	147 34	
To collected from 1937 list	131 66	
To collected from 1938 list	573 60	
To collected from 1939 list	495 45	
To collected interest	44 89	
		\$1540 10
By paid treasurer	\$1495 21	
By paid treasurer, interest	44 89	
		\$1540 10

TAXES SOLD THE TOWN

To sale of Sept. 26, 1940	\$2063 20
By paid treasurer	2063 20

TAXES ON PROPERTY DEEDED THE TOWN
FROM LIST OF TAXES ALREADY BOUGHT

1934	\$ 70 35
1935	67 08

1936	124 42	
1937	188 86	
1938	196 10	
1939	190 53	
1940	158 19	
		\$995 53

LIST OF PROPERTY DEEDED THE TOWN

Georgie B. Hayden, Dist. No. 5	\$54 55	
H. D. Harriman Est., Dist. No. 1	98 02	
John Q. Hodgman, Dist. No. 1 & 3	42 54	
John Mitchell, Dist. No. 2	40 51	
MacDonald Bros., Dist. No. 9	59 47	
Annie L. Nichols, Dist. No. 5	8 24	
Robert Proctor, Dist. No. 5	66 22	
Mary Pitcavich, Dist. No. 5	29 12	
Gus A. Rogers, Dist. No. 3	24 74	
Sarah J. Schwartz, Dist. No. 7	12 66	
Walter K. Weston, Dist. No. 2 & 3	28 69	
Thos. H. Harvell, Dist. No. 9	530 77	
		\$995 53

(Figured without interest or cost since date of sale)

ABATEMENTS ON TAXES OWNED BY TOWN

Rosie Sanville, over tax	\$18 98	
Jessie M. Byam, over tax	6 78	
Patrick Connors, unknown	5 71	
		\$31 47

ABATEMENTS FROM 1935 TAXES

James H. Sullivan, left town	\$4 00	
Ethel Sullivan, left town	4 00	
Lester Sullivan, assessed in Milford	2 00	
Doris Sullivan, assessed in Milford	2 00	
Paul Evans, veteran	8 55	
John Elliott, on relief	4 00	
		\$24 55

ABATEMENTS FROM 1936 TAXES

James H. Sullivan, left town	\$2 00
Ethel Sullivan, left town	2 00
Paul Evans, veteran	2 00
John Elliott, on relief	2 00
	\$8 00

ABATEMENTS FROM 1937 TAXES

Richard M. Small, pays elsewhere	\$2 00
Edward A. Smith, veteran	17 50
George Ripley, pays elsewhere	2 00
John Elliott, on relief	2 00
	\$23 50

ABATEMENTS FROM 1938 TAXES

Richard M. Small, pays elsewhere	\$2 00
Miriam Small, pays elsewhere	2 00
Everett White, pays elsewhere	2 00
Howard Sanford, pays elsewhere	2 00
Kenneth and Arline Hussy, pay elsewhere	4 00
Ruth H. Hayden, pays elsewhere	2 00
John Elliott, on relief	2 00
Edith Bidwell, pays elsewhere	2 00
Elsie Hardman, non-resident	2 00
Ralph Cox, veteran	2 00
	\$22 00

ABATEMENTS FROM 1939 TAXES

Everett White, pays elsewhere	\$2 00
Rosie Sanville, over tax	2 88
Clarence Roberts, pays elsewhere	2 00
J. H. Murphy, pays elsewhere	2 00
James McCarthy Est., double tax	1 75
Charles and Marion Mason, over tax	10 90
Kenneth and Arline Hussy, pay elsewhere	4 00
Edith Bidwell, pays elsewhere	2 00
John Arlaukas, pays elsewhere	2 00

Walter Moore, pays elsewhere	2 00
William R. and Mina Holt, pay elsewhere	4 00
Leon Gaidmore, pays elsewhere	2 00
	\$37 53

ABATEMENTS FROM 1940 TAXES

Duane Decker, over tax	\$14 00
Albert LeBlond, over tax	3 80
Phoebe Crawford, over tax	1 90
Fessenden and Lowell, Inc., over tax	2 85
Alice T. Parker, over tax	4 75
W. A. Proctor, over tax	3 80
James A. Welch, over age	2 00
Blanch Wilson, under age	2 00
M. J. Somers, over tax	7 60
Winnefred Rowell, over tax	8 55
J. H. Murphy, pays elsewhere	2 00
James McCarthy Est., double tax	1 90
Charles and Marion Mason, over tax	9 50
Harry and Mary Heath, over age	4 00
Kenneth and Arline Hussy, left town	4 00
Ray Goodale, double tax	2 00
George H. and Myrtle Farnsworth, pay elsewhere	4 00
Wellington Ellison, over age	2 00
Roy Davis, veteran	2 00
Amos F. and Levina Chase, over age	4 00
Clyde Brown, pays elsewhere	2 00
Edith Bidwell, pays elsewhere	2 00
Florence B. Hanson, non-resident	2 00
Harriet H. Bundy, over age	2 00
Lyman and Ida Aldrich, non-residents	4 00
John Arlaukas, pays elsewhere	2 00
Cecil Rickey, over tax	14 20
Leon Gaidmore, pays elsewhere	2 00
George A. Parker, over tax	7 60
Elizabeth B. Gault, veteran's widow	2 00

Bank tax, over tax	3 50
Louis and Bertha Langelier, pay elsewhere	4 00
Harold Davis, pays elsewhere	2 00
Herbert Boutelle, pays elsewhere	2 00

\$137 95

H. R. ELLIOTT,
Collector.

Amherst, N. H., February 10, 1941.

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MALCOLM D. CLARK,
SUMNER F. MERRILL,
Auditors for Town of Amherst.

REPORT OF ROAD AGENT**Fred H. Willard****TOWN DUMP**

Appropriation \$50.00

Fred Willard, labor	\$3 50
Roy Parker, truck	8 40
Albert Hubley, labor	1 20

 \$13 10
OIL ACCOUNT

Appropriation \$2000.00

Fred H. Willard, road agent	\$ 67 50
Roy Parker, truck	109 80
Guy Bills, labor	60 20
George Parker	22 40
James Doyle	43 80
Fred Townes	57 00
Charles Lincoln, sand	24 75
Albert LeFrancois, truck	137 40
Fred Willard, truck	16 00
George E. Houghton, truck	6 00
Oliver Carleton, truck	10 80
H. R. Elliott, truck	21 60
David Young, truck	48 00
Joseph Barrett, labor	7 00
Albert Hubley	22 00
Frank Bills	30 00
Martin Van Buren	19 20
Joseph Gouett	16 80
Alfred Townes	7 00
Roy Wheeler	33 00
John Liljeberg	5 00
N. H. State Treasurer, oil	88 00
Koppers Co., oil	1028 00
John Young, labor	2 00
Clark's Garage	4 00
Roland Goodwin	9 60

Daniel Steele, sweeper	13 50
Andrew Elliott, sand	1 95
Leonard Stockwell, labor	6 80
Newton Stockwell	8 40
Henry Stockwell	6 80
Melvin Hutchinson, sand	2 40
Robert Sanford, labor	8 80
Charles Pettingale	80
Arthur Burgess	2 40
Guy Nelson	9 00
	\$1957 70

SNOW

Appropriation \$2500.00

Credit:

Rental of grader	\$84.00	
A. LeFrancois	\$59.00	
Fred Willard, road agent		\$245 10
Fred Willard, truck		20 25
David Young, truck		441 32
Roland Goodwin, labor		83 60
Ralph Bidwell		14 40
Arthur Fields		2 80
Elwin Carleton		5 00
Louis Hayward		27 60
Winslow Hanson		8 80
Roy Parker, truck		525 33
Newton Stockwell, truck		247 00
Leonard Stockwell, labor		31 00
Henry Stockwell		18 80
R. C. Hazelton Co., rent on plow		200 00
Ernest Peaslee		14 85
M. F. Goodale, repairs		62 47
C. F. Woollett & Son		22 12
Albert Hubley, labor		28 80
Albert LeFrancois, truck		397 27
Loren Hanson, labor		18 60

Clark's Garage, truck	91 87
Harold Hancock, labor	59 60
Joseph Stevens	50 40
Roy Wheeler	38 70
Richard Locke	11 60
Robert Locke	10 00
Charles Atkinson	2 60
Louis Miles	7 80
Robert Hancock	8 40
Willis Wilson	5 20
Edmund Duguie	1 60
Howard Long	4 80
Andrew Spalding, labor	6 80
Francis Duval	2 40
Algot Monson	13 00
Leon Hanson	1 60
Clarence Frost	3 40
Maurice Young	10 00
B. Monson	14 80
Everett Lee	1 60
Harold Frost	12 60
Russell Trombly	10 40
Guy Bills	36 80
Maurice Merrill	20 40
Fred Townes	36 40
Joseph Gouett	12 00
Frank Bills	17 00
David Herlihy	24 40
Roy Aiken	24 60
Voscoe Plummer	15 20
Russell Miles	5 20
Maurice Hanson	10 00
John Hubley	3 40
Ernest Gagnon	90 00
Arthur Underwood	2 00
Roger Underwood	2 00
Edward Perkins	6 40
George Long	6 60

Lawrence Glover	9 00
Ernest Miles	12 00
Ellis Patterson	1 00
John Fuller	12 00
Claire Miles, truck	25 00
John Young, labor	2 60
George Parker	1 20
H. R. Elliott, truck	136 37
Leonard Hayward, labor	27 20
Leslie Miles, truck	138 00
Leon Buxton, sand	1 05
George Howard, truck	106 25
Edwin Locke, labor	8 00
Vernon Wilkins	2 40
John Wilson	4 80
Reginald Going	11 80
Frank Long	2 80
Charles Pettingale	1 40
Edward Long	6 10
Charles Bidwell	4 00
Ralph Plummer	10 00
James Peach	4 00
Cecil Perkins	12 00
E. Setzer	18 80
Roland Setzer	7 60
Sidney Stirk	1 60
Frank LaSalle	11 00
Martin Van Buren	11 40
James McGuinness	9 60
William Brown	2 00

\$3697 65

GENERAL EXPENSE

C. F. Woollett & Son, supplies	\$89 99
N. H. Explosive Co., blade	10 00

\$99 99

TOWN MAINTENANCE

Appropriation \$4000.00

Credit:

Fisk High Fund	\$ 35.69	
Rental of grader	\$523.61	
Fred H. Willard, road agent		\$431 35
Roy Wheeler, grader operator		418 80
Clark's Garage, gasoline		237 05
M. F. Goodale		58 89
R. C. Hazelton Co.		375 00
Guy Bills, labor		248 80
Frank Bills		411 20
Roy Parker, truck		268 20
Leonard Stockwell, labor		36 40
Newton Stockwell		32 40
Henry Stockwell		36 40
George Parker		22 80
Joseph Gouett		145 60
Albert Hubley		110 40
Martin Van Buren		31 60
Fred Townes		284 00
James Doyle		76 60
C. F. Woollett & Son, supplies		48 67
Robert Sanford, labor		12 80
Albert LeFrancois, truck		291 75
H. R. Elliott, truck		96 00
Charles Michaud, printing signs		6 25
Hume Pipe Co., pipe		163 82
Charles Pherson, chains		14 75
F. W. Clark, supplies		2 45
Fred Willard, truck		116 25
John Martin, pipe		78
Maurice Hanson, labor		26 80
Alfred Townes		12 80
Charles Pettingale		19 40
County Stores		3 65
Socony Vacuum Oil Co.		20 40
David Young, truck		76 80

James P. Doyle, labor	9 60
Peter Soini	14 40
David Herlihy	6 40
Cecil Perkins	4 00
Maurice Merrill	1 40
Cyril Malone, gravel	14 25
Town of Amherst	5 50
John Hubley, labor	3 20
Caldwell and Cassidy, posts	15 00
Prescott Thompson, gravel	11 55
Fred Willard, team	24 00
Esso Service Station, gasoline	88 47
Harold Hancock, labor	28 10
Annie Robinson, gravel	35 70
Joseph Barrett	17 35
Mrs. M. E. Cochran, grindstone	3 00
State Highway Dept.	14 00
Oliver Parker, labor	5 25
Frank Hartshorn Co., bridge plank	30 72
William Crooker	4 40
Roy Aikens	36 80
Roland Goodwin	42 00
	\$4554 95

Amherst, N. H., February 10, 1941.

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MALCOLM D. CLARK,
SUMNER F. MERRILL,
Auditors for Town of Amherst.

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

For the Year Ending January 31, 1941

This is to certify that I have issued Permits for the Registration of Motor Vehicles from February 1, 1940 to January 31, 1941, to the amounts as follows:

For the year 1939	\$ 16 10
For the year 1940	1744 18
For the year 1941	64 10

Total	\$1824 38
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And I have paid the same to the Town Treasurer.

Z. B. KEMP,

Town Clerk.

This is to certify that I have received for Dog Licenses issued from February 1, 1940 to January 31, 1941, amounts as follows:

160 males at \$2.00 each	\$320 00
2 males at \$1.67 each	3 34
24 females at \$5.00 each	120 00
2 kennel licenses at \$12.00 each	24 00

Total	\$467 34
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Less commission—188 licenses at 20c each	37 60
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Total	\$429 74
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And I have paid the same to the Town Treasurer.

Z. B. KEMP,

Town Clerk.

This is to certify that I have issued Sunday Licenses from February 1, 1940 to January 31, 1941 to the amounts as follows:

15 licenses at \$1.00 each	\$15 00
1 license at \$15.00	15 00

Total	\$30 00
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And I have paid the same to the Town Treasurer.

Z. B. KEMP,

Town Clerk.

Amherst, N. H., February 10, 1941.

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MALCOLM D. CLARK,
SUMNER F. MERRILL,
Auditors for Town of Amherst.

SECOND REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO INQUIRE INTO TOWN FORESTS

Presented to Town Meeting, Amherst, N. H.,
March 11, 1941

Your committee as authorized by the last Town Meeting has continued its study of Town Forests and is of the opinion that it would be a worthy project for the Town of Amherst to establish a Town Forest in this community.

A tract of land of around four hundred acres in the Chestnut Hill section has come into the possession of the town through tax delinquency. Much of this tract is not saleable to any good advantage but would be well suited for the uses of a Town Forest. It would at least grow trees and is available from already established roads.

Therefore we recommend that a permanent Town Forest committee be established, to consist of the two senior members of the board of selectmen and three other members this year to be appointed by the moderator and hereafter to be elected at the regular Town Meeting. The term of office should be three years and so elected that there shall be one expiring membership each year. This committee shall have the power to acquire land in the name of the Town of Amherst for the purpose of a Town Forest in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 42 of the Public Statutes of the State of

New Hampshire and shall have full charge of the development and management of said Town Forest.

The acceptance of the provisions of this report call for no appropriation. By acting now at this time and in this manner we will have planned ahead so when conditions are right we can go ahead without lost time. This will be of value to the town in the possible solving of relief problems in the future and in accordance with the experience of other towns should result in considerable revenue to the town.

Respectfully submitted,

ELLIS P. PATTERSON,

Chairman,

H. R. ELLIOTT,

W. T. WHITTLE.

SEXTON'S REPORT

1940 made a few improvements in the cemeteries. Six lots in the front of Meadow View Cemetery were regraded and the stones straightened to coincide with the lay of the level land, making a lawn-like appearance. Also the Sexton took two double lots of the Perpetual section, graded them and set out eighteen dollars worth of shrubbery on the same, to start the sale of these lots. One single lot has been sold by the results. These lots do not cost any more than the others that have Perpetual Care. A number of the other lots have been sold or spoken for in the new part back of the Perpetual Avenue.

The Sexton bought the paint (from a town merchant) for the Cricket Corner Cemetery fence but ran short of funds to apply the same.

The water system at Meadow View Cemetery has not worked very satisfactory the past few years. Your Sexton would like to put the pumps and house down over the well and stop the long pull up the hill. This ought to result in a greater supply at less effort, and take better care of the Perpetuals through the dry season.

The interest from the banks on Perpetual money this year has detached about one dollar off the care of lots. They can't be neglected as they have been fertilized other years and the grass grows very rapidly, so your Sexton has asked the Selectmen to raise their estimated appropriation \$100.00 that it might help to care for the lots so they will show their usual upkeep.

CLARENCE H. HAGAR,
Sexton.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF AMHERST, N. H.

For the Year Ending January 31, 1941

RECEIPTS

On hand February 1, 1940	\$ 675 54
Accrued int. in Souhegan Savings Dept.	292 94
Accrued int. in Nashua Trust Co.	71 71
Accrued int in Wilton Savings Dept.	147 38
Accrued interest in Manchester Sav. Bank	70 79
Total int. received during the year 1940	1156 75

Total	\$2415 11
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PAYMENTS

Total amount paid out during year 1940	\$1125 98
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Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1941:

Souhegan checking account	602 64
Accrued int. in Souhegan Sav. Dept.	333 37
Accrued int. in Nashua Trust Co.	61 75
Accrued int. in Wilton Sav. Dept.	168 50
Accrued int. in Manchester Sav. Bank	122 87

Total	\$2415 11
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FREDERICK W. BROWN,
C. W. GOING,
HAROLD H. WILKINS,
Trustees.

Amherst, N. H., February 10, 1941.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

MALCOLM D. CLARK,
SUMNER F. MERRILL,
Auditors for Town of Amherst.

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF AMHERST FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1941

Name of Fund and Purpose of Creation	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Bal. Income Feb. 1, 1940	Income during yr.	Expended in year	Bal. on Hand
Amal. Cemetery Fund No. 1	Amoskeag Savings Bank	\$8,775.00		\$25.34		
Amal. Cemetery Fund No. 2	Mechanics Savings Bank	2,000.00		5.15		\$602.64
Amal. Cemetery Fund No. 3	Souhegan Savings	4,035.00			\$557.07	
Amal. Cemetery Fund No. 4	Manchester Savings	4,800.00	\$675.54			
Special Cemetery Fund	Souhegan Savings	2,000.00	292.94			333.37
Fiske Cemetery Fund	Mechanics Savings Bank	1,000.00		40.43		
Fiske Highway Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	1,443.50		25.34		
Parker Cemetery & Library Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	1,000.00		35.69		
Spaulding School Fund	15 shares Peterboro, R.R. Bonds—Miford Sch. Dist.	1,443.50		25.15		
Spaulding School Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	Sold		43.35		
Spaulding School Fund	New Hampshire Savings	4,500.00		21.25		
Spaulding School Fund	Wilton Savings Dept.	3,375.00		98.46		
Nutt School Fund	New Hampshire Savings	1,000.00		78.13		
A. Lawrence School Fund	Second National Nashua	5,000.00		18.42		
Miss Lawrence School Fund	Nashua Trust Co.	1,500.00		27.63		
French Library Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	500.00	71.71	10.04		61.75
Emma L. Clark Library Fund	Mechanics Savings Bank	1,000.00		25.15		
Geo. W. George Library Fund	Mechanics Savings Bank	500.00		12.67		
Geo. W. Putnam Cem. Fund	Wilton Savings Bank	1,000.00	147.38	21.12		
Alice M. Wilkins Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	2000.00	70.79	52.08		
Totals.		\$45,928.50	\$1,258.36	\$1,156.75	\$1,125.98	\$1,289.13

The following Gifts have been received during the year 1940 and added to Cemetery Fund No. 4

For care of Lot of Levi Harshorn, \$125; For Lot of Geo. B. Small, \$150; For Lot of Keyes-Coggin, \$200; For Lot of Luther Coggin, \$100.

Z. B. KEMP, Clerk of Trust Funds, Amherst, N. H.

SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

AMHERST TOWN LIBRARY

The sixty-first annual report of the trustees and librarian of the Amherst Town Library covers the period from February 1, 1940 to January 31, 1941.

The board of trustees was organized with Miss Bertha Piper as President and W. T. Whittle as Secretary-Treasurer (terms expiring in 1941); Mrs. Pearl Perry and Dr. LeBosquet as Grounds Committee (terms expiring in 1942); and Mrs. Willis Fisher and Mrs. Dorothy Davis as Books Committee (terms expiring in 1943). During the year Mrs. Fisher resigned and Mr. Charles L. Prior was appointed by the selectmen to fill the unexpired portion of the term.

In accordance with the expression of opinion in the last Town Meeting the Library has been kept open additional hours on Saturday afternoon. It has seemed to have been well received and the additional cost is largely in the necessarily increased pay of the librarian.

The particular improvements have been in the digging of a dry well to take care of the wash from the front roof of the building in an attempt to preserve the foundations and make possible the maintenance of a grass plot that would be more in keeping with the well-kept lawns of the neighborhood. For the same reason more has been spent on the upkeep of the grounds in rather a major operation of pruning and cleaning. Contracts have been let for the very much delayed redecorating of the Library interior. That is the reason together with the necessity of meeting February bills for the unusual large sum of cash on hand in the financial statement. The work was delayed to make sure it would come within the limits of the budget and

further postponed to take advantage of the weather when the expense of additional heat while the work was in progress would not be necessary.

The librarian's report shows a healthy growth in volume. There were 193 books added, of which 59 were gifts; 54 books discarded, making a total at the end of the year of 9800 (8068 adult, 1732 juvenile). Three hundred sixty-nine registered borrowers borrowed 8116 volumes of fiction (adult 5640, juvenile 2466); 835 non-fiction (adult 649, juvenile 186); and 2034 adult, 149 juvenile magazines. There were inter-library loans of 40. Any book, usually non-fiction, not in the local library, may be borrowed from Concord or Hanover or other libraries throughout the state by payment of the postage one way. The librarian will be glad to assist at any time. Gifts gratefully acknowledged were magazines donated by Mrs. Norwin S. Bean, Mrs. Willis Fisher, Mrs. George Huntington, Miss Bertha Piper, Dr. John LeBosquet, Miss Marjorie Upham, Mr. Arthur Butman, and Mrs. Varney; books from Miss Elizabeth Weston, Dr. John LeBosquet, Mrs. L. Darling, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Phillips, Mrs. George Huntington, Mrs. Robert Telfer, and Mrs. George Spaulding.

The financial report is printed in summary form only in the interest of economy and efficiency. A list of the individual items will be posted in the Town Hall and Library.

SOURCES OF INCOME

Balance on hand	\$ 58 06	
Appropriation	600 00	
Fines	41 00	
Sale of books	2 56	
Trust funds	70 48	
		\$772 11

DISBURSEMENTS

Books	\$192 18	
Magazines	49 92	
Salary	204 85	
Lights	10 72	
Grounds	30 25	
Fuel	65 50	
Supplies	13 04	
Improvements and repairs::		
Screens and drain	22 70	
Dry well and seeding	30 0	
Clock repairs	4 0	
Balance on hand	120 28	
		\$772 11

As previously explained, this unusually large balance on hand is covered by the already contracted expense for redecorating the Library interior and for the payment of February bills.

The librarian, Miss Rosalie Norris, has been granted a six months leave of absence. Mrs. Pearl Perry is substituting and is signing this report as acting librarian.

Respectfully submitted,
 TRUSTEES OF THE AMHERST
 TOWN LIBRARY,
 W. T. WHITTLE, Secretary-Treasurer,
 PEARL H. PERRY, Acting Librarian.

Amherst, N. H., February 10, 1941.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

MALCOLM D. CLARK,
 SUMNER F. MERRILL,
 Auditors for Town of Amherst.

**ANNUAL REPORTS OF THE
OFFICERS OF THE
SCHOOL DISTRICT
OF
AMHERST, N. H.**

**Including Financial Reports for the
Fiscal Year 1939-1940**

PUBLISHED MARCH 1941

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Amherst School District

SCHOOL OFFICERS

School Board	Term Expires
Ralph P. Currier, Chairman	1942
Mrs. Robert S. Telfer, Secretary*	1943
Arthur L. Underwood	1941
*Resigned September 1, 1940. Mrs. Donald Sawyer appointed to serve until March 1941	

Harold C. Bowley, Milford, N. H.	Superintendent
Z. B. Kemp	Clerk and Treasurer
Harold H. Wilkins, Jr.	Moderator
Oscar Burns, M. D.	School Physician
Naomi Lanouette, R. N.	School Nurse
Clarence H. Hagar	School Officer
James Phelps	Janitor

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 1940-1941

Begin	Close
September 4, 1940	November 27, 1940
December 2, 1940	December 20, 1940
January 6, 1941	February 21, 1941
March 3, 1941	April 18, 1941
April 28, 1941	June—to be determined

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 1941-1942

Begin	Close
September 3, 1941	November 26, 1941
December 1, 1941	December 19, 1941
January 5, 1942	February 20, 1942
March 2, 1942	April 17, 1942
April 27, 1942	June—to be determined

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL MEETING

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the
Town of Amherst, qualified to vote in
district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 11th day of March 1941, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years; and a member for the ensuing two years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year, July 1, 1941 to June 30, 1942.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the District.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this Warrant.
8. To see if the District will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the District, as determined by the School Board in its annual report.

9. To see how much money the District will raise and appropriate for special repairs and alterations of school property, and new equipment.

10. To see how much money the District will raise and appropriate for insurance of school property.

11. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Amherst this 3rd day of February, 1941.

R. P. CURRIER,
ALICE O. SAWYER,
A. L. UNDERWOOD,
School Board.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD**Financial Report of Amherst School District for
Fiscal Year July 1, 1939 to June 30, 1940**

Total Receipts	\$17,563 18
Total Payments	16,676 14

Balance on hand June 30, 1940	\$887 04
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RECEIPTS**From State:**

Equalization fund (state-aid)	\$ 1,650 23
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From Selectmen Raised by Taxation:

By appropriation voted March 1939	14,428 77
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From Sources Other Than Taxation:

Dog licenses	\$340 88
High school tuition	75 00
Income from Trust Funds	462 15
Misc. sales and rebates	13 81
	891 84

Total Receipts from all sources	\$16,970 84
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Cash on hand July 1, 1939	592 34
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GRAND TOTAL	\$17,563 18
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PAYMENTS**July 1, 1939 to June 30, 1940**

(Classification and numbering conform to state accounting system required in state-aided districts)

Administration:

1. Salaries of district officers	\$212 00
2. Supt.'s salary account	230 91
3. Truant officer & school census	50 00
4. Expenses of administration	275 08
	\$767 99

Instruction:

5. Teachers' salaries	\$7500 00
6. Textbooks	309 53
7. Scholars' supplies	188 06
8. Flags and appurtenances	15 13

9. Other expenses of instruction	52 92	
		\$8065 64

Operation and Maintenance of School Plant:

10. Janitor service	\$626 00	
11. Fuel	496 00	
12. Water, light and janitor's supplies	220 66	
13. Minor repairs and expenses	212 24	
		\$1554 90

Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities:

14. Medical inspection	\$ 186 96	
15. Transportation	3148 90	
16. High school and academy tuition	0 00	
17. Elementary school tuition	515 00	
18. Other special activities	35 44	
		\$3886 30

Fixed Charges:

19. Tax for state-wide supervision	\$470 00	
20. Insurance and other fixed charges	00 00	
		\$470 00

Outlay for Construction and Equipment:

21. Lands and new buildings	\$00 00	
22. Alteration of old buildings	724 44	
23. New equipment	41 87	
		\$766 31

Debt, Interest and Other Charges:

24. Payments of principal of debt	\$1000 00	
25. Payments of interest on debt	165 00	
26. Payments of notes or bills from previous year	00 00	
		\$1165 00

Total Payments for all purposes		\$16,676 14
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Expenditures Distributed as Follows:

General expenses	\$3,169 30
For support of high school	3,408 07
For support of elem. schools	10,098 77
	\$16,676 14

PAYMENTS IN DETAIL**July 1, 1939 to June 30, 1940****1. Salaries of District Officers:**

Ralph P. Currier, school board	\$37 50
Roy Davis, school board	12 50
Wolcott S. Telfer, school board	50 00
Arthur L. Underwood, sch. board	50 00
Z. B. Kemp, treasurer	50 00
Harold Wilkins, moderator	4 00
Z. B. Kemp, clerk	4 00
Malcolm D. Clark, auditor	2 00
Sumner F. Merrill, auditor	2 00
	\$212 00

2. Superintendent's Salary Account:

Raymond A. Dyer, Treas., Union No. 40,	
account Harold C. Bowley	\$230 91

3. Truant Officer and School Census:

Dwight Brown, census enum.	\$25 00
Clarence Hagar, truant officer	25 00
	\$50 00

4. Expenses of Administration:

Gordon R. Ayer, postage, 1/2 exp.	
to convention at Keene	\$ 6 80
Bostitch Boston, Inc., 1 box	
staples	1 38
Vincent Brine, env. and stamps	10 16
Colonial Press, env. and printing	3 25
Raymond A. Dyer, Treas., acct.	
clerk and union expenses	235 00
Edson C. Eastman & Co., supplies	2 09
Hope Glover, postage for pledges	2 18
J. L. Hammett Co., supplies	1 06

Est. J. P. Melzer, enumera- tion cards	1 40	
Milford School District, toll calls, supplies	3 51	
Wm. A. Proctor, pledge cards, treas. bond	5 50	
Wolcott S. Telfer, book, brief case	2 75	
		\$275 08

5. Teachers' Salaries:

Gordon R. Ayer, Headmaster, VII-XII	\$1575 00	
Charles Tracey, substitute	25 00	
Allan E. Boerker, VII-XII	305 00	
James Lovenbury, substitute	595 00	
Charlotte A. Boutelle, Grades III-IV	748 00	
Marguerite O'Neil, substitute	202 00	
Evelyn M. Copeland, VII-XII	850 00	
Mary F. Gott, Grades V-VI	950 00	
Louise N. Hatch, Grades I-II	900 00	
Bertha L. Piper, VII-XII	1200 00	
Elsie F. Wheeler, Elem. music	150 00	
		\$7500 00
High \$2772.00; Elem. \$4728.00		

6. Textbooks:

Allyn and Bacon	\$ 1 30
Barnes and Noble	1 36
Christian Science Pub. Society	6 50
Civic Educational Service	21 40
Educational Guild of New England	3 00
Ginn and Co.	26 55
D. C. Heath and Co.	25 03
Longman's Green and Co.	1 45
The Macmillan Co.	13 73
Milton Bradley Co.	1 02
Row, Peterson and Co.	69 11
Benj. H. Sanborn Co.	6 93

Scott, Foresman and Co.	53 79
Silver, Burdett and Co.	64
L. W. Singer Co.	17 15
Webster Pub. Co.	75
John C. Winston Co.	59 82

\$309 53

High \$101.60; Elem. \$207.93

7. Scholars' Supplies:

Edward E. Babb and Co.	\$51 04
Harold C. Bowley, express paid	38
Cambosco Scientific Co.	31 56
Gledhill Brothers	8 95
J. L. Hammett Co.	62 74
Milford School District	1 58
Milton Bradley Co.	22 15
Chas. F. Woollett and Son	90
World Book Co.	8 76

\$188 06

High \$44.02; Elem. \$144.04

8. Flags and Appurtenances:

The County Stores, Inc., flag	\$5 63
Reginald Going, labor	1 00
Charles Pherson, labor	8 50

\$15 13

High \$6.71; Elem. \$8.42

9. Other Expenses of Instruction:

Edward E. Babb & Co., dupli- cating material	\$ 3 38
Beckley-Cardy Co., workbooks	2 50
Bobbs-Merrill Co., ref. books	1 72
G. N. Bosworth, world almanacs	1 06
The Continental Press, rankbooks	4 13
Denoyer-Geppert Co., globe	10 14
Education Guild of New England, library books	1 58
J. L. Hammett Co., diplomas, cer- tificates, report card env.	14 51

Henry Holt and Co., maps of		
Europe	1 00	
Houghton Mifflin Co., ref. book	1 27	
The Macmillan Co., ref. books	7 88	
H. H. Wilson Co., ref. book	3 75	
		\$52 92

High \$31.39; Elem. \$21.53

10. Janitor Service:

Randolph Kruger, assistant	\$ 1 00	
James Phelps, Village building		
and Clark School	625 00	
		\$626 00

High \$156.30; Elem. \$469.70

11. Fuel:

Converse and Peaslee, slabs	\$ 25 00	
Standard Oil Co. of New York,		
3150 gals. oil	226 23	
D. Whiting & Sons, 26 tons coal	244 77	
		\$496 00

High \$156.30; Elem. \$469.70

12. Water, Light and Janitor's Supplies:

Edward E. Babb & Co., soap	\$ 3 60	
Cheshire Chemical Co., supplies	41 06	
Emerson and Son, floor brushes	12 81	
E. Flewellyn, bowl brushes	1 70	
Masury-Young Co., supplies	42 70	
Public Service Co., service	113 68	
Chas. F. Woollett & Son, supplies	5 11	
		\$220 66

High \$54.44; Elem. \$166.22

13. Minor Repairs and Expenses:

Lester Adams, removing ashes	\$12 00	
Edward E. Babb & Co., supplies	3 25	
The County Stores, Inc., supplies	2 09	
H. R. Elliott, supplies	39	
Elizabeth Gault, repairs to		
wells and boiler	57 10	

Gust Peterson, repairs	33 28	
Charles Pherson, repairing fence	4 50	
Chas. F. Woollett & Son, supplies	99 63	
		\$212 24

High \$86.53; Elem. \$125.71

14. Medical Inspection:

Dr. Oscar Burns, inspection	\$87 50	
Marion L. Cass, first-aid service	10 00	
Raymond A. Dyer, first-aid		
supplies	1 96	
Milford Red Cross, nurse service	87 50	
		\$186 96

High \$38.21; Elem. \$148.75

15. Transportation:

Malcolm D. Clark	\$3100 00	
Levi Hartshorn	36 00	
Cyril Malone	12 90	
		\$3148 90

All Elementary

17. Elementary School Tuition:

Merrimack Sch. Dist., 4 pupils	\$144 00	
Milford Scho. Dist., 14 pupils	371 00	
		\$515 00

18. Other Special Activities:

Philip Morris & Co., playground		
equipment	\$15 24	
Wolcott S. Telfer, paid for		
Lawrence prizes	20 00	
Chas. F. Woollett & Son, supplies	20	
		\$35 44

High \$5; Elem. \$30.44

19. Tax for State-Wide Supervision:

State Treasurer, \$2 per capita tax	\$470 00
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22. Alterations of Old Buildings:

F. J. Hauptmann, weather-	
stripping	\$ 65 00
Everett Lee, painting	250 65

John R. Martin, installing gas		
in laboratory	91	59
Charles Pherson, labor on wells	317	20
		\$724 44

23. New Equipment:

Milton Bradley Co., chairs	\$17	37
Nashua Art Bronze Foundry,		
plaque for Clark School	24	50
		\$41 87

24. Payment of Principal of Debt:

Souhegan National Bank, Serial		
Note No. 2		\$1000 00

25. Payment of Interest on Debt:

J. A. & M. E. Crawford	\$30	00
G. W. Farley	60	00
R. G. & Marie Sherman	30	00
Souhegan National Bank	45	00
		\$165 00

Total Payments during 1939-1940	\$16,676	14
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CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Public Laws 1926, Chapter 68:22, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

RALPH P. CURRIER,
WOLCOTT S. TELFER,
ARTHUR L. UNDERWOOD,
School Board.

HAROLD C. BOWLEY, Superintendent.

July 2, 1940.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books and other financial records of the school board of Amherst, of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1940, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

MALCOLM D. CLARK,
SUMNER F. MERRILL,
Auditors.

July 9, 1940.

BUDGET**July 1, 1941 to June 30, 1942****A. Amount Required for Support of Schools:**

Teachers' salaries	\$7700 00	
Textbooks	300 00	
Scholars' supplies	200 00	
Flags and appurtenances	10 00	
Other expenses of instruction	180 00	
Janitor service	625 00	
Fuel	500 00	
Water, light and janitor's supplies	175 00	
Minor repairs and expenses	250 00	
Health supervision	175 00	
Transportation	3172 00	
Payment of elem. tuition	690 00	
Other special activities	75 00	
		\$14,052 00

**B. Amounts Required for Statutory
and Other Requirements:**

Salaries of district officers	\$ 212 00	
Truant officer and school census	50 00	
Supt.'s excess salary	289 00	
Per capita tax	448 00	
Payment of prin. of debt	1000 00	
Payment of interest on debt	105 00	
Administration	275 00	
		2,379 00
Total amount required to meet School Board's Budget		\$16,431 00

Estimated Income of District

Balance June 30	\$ 200 00
State aid	1482 00
Dog tax	200 00

Income from trust funds	430 00	
		2,312 00
Assessment required to balance Budget		\$14,119 00
Special appropriations proposed:		
Painting at High School	\$200 00	
Insurance	100 00	
		300 00
Total assessment required to cover		
budget and special appropriations		\$14,419 00

R. P. CURRIER,
 ALICE O. SAWYER,
 A. L. UNDERWOOD,
 School Board.

February 3, 1941.

REPORT OF TREASURER

July 1, 1939 to June 30, 1940

Balance on hand from previous year		\$592 34
Appropriation for 1939-1940 as voted		
March 1939	\$14,428 77	
Dog tax of 1939	340 88	
Trust funds:		
Spalding Fund	\$287 00	
Nutt Fund	125 00	
Aaron Lawrence Fd.	30 15	
Miss Lawrence Fd.	20 00	
		462 15
State Treasurer (state-aid)	1,650 23	
High school tuition	75 00	
Misc. sales and rebates	13 81	
		16,970 84
Total amount available for fiscal year	\$17,563 18	
Less school board's orders paid	16,676 14	
Balance on hand as of June 30, 1940	\$887 04	
	Z. B. KEMP,	
	District Treasurer.	
June 30, 1940.		

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Amherst, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1940 and find them correct in all respects.

MALCOLM D. CLARK,
SUMNER F. MERRILL,
Auditors.

July 9, 1940.

**ABSTRACT OF CLERK'S REPORT TO STATE
BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL BOARD,
AND SELECTMEN**

**District Revenue Voted March 12 and May 11, 1939,
for Fiscal Year July 1, 1939 to June 30, 1940**

Amounts appropriated for:

Support of high school	\$ 3,408 75	
Support of elem. schools	10,392 25	
		\$13,801 00
Salaries of district officers	\$ 212 00	
Truant officer & school census	50 00	
Supt.'s salary account	255 00	
\$2 per capita tax for supervision	476 00	
Payment of principal of debt	1000 00	
Payment of interest on debt	135 00	
Administration	275 00	
Specials:		
Insurance at Clark School	100 00	
Piping at High School Bldg.	100 00	
Purchase of land	500 00	
		3,103 00
Total amount of School Board's		
Budget and special appropriations	\$16,904 00	
Less estimated income	2,484 45	
Total Amount to be Raised		\$14,419 55

Z. B. KEMP,
Clerk of School District.

May 13, 1940.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of Amherst:

Purposes in Defense

The unsettled condition of world affairs demands a "bold and comprehensive program for the defense of American democracy," as a recent statement puts it. This program may be considered in three parts—military, economic, and moral.

Industry is rapidly providing the new mechanized instruments of war. The training of men to operate them goes on apace. We are making every effort to establish an effective military defense.

The economic depression must be conquered and the millions of unemployed returned to productive effort. Recent figures indicate progress has been made to bring greater utilization of capital, labor, natural resources, and organizing skill. We aim to maintain the highest possible standard of living as is consistent with national defense.

But the third aspect of defense is the most difficult as it deals with the moral or spiritual. Preservation of the ideals of democracy is indeed the watchword. Understanding of the nature and goals of democracy is essential. Deep loyalties and devotion to the building of a better America is a second requirement. The maintenance of conditions conducive to national unity is still another necessity. We must prove to the world that democracy does function in a crisis.

The first two aspects of defense are largely in the hands of government and industry. The schools as a unit in society play a minor part. But in the moral aspect, the schools have a very definite duty. We hope to and can achieve greater civic understanding, firmer loyalties, and increased intellectual competence, as well as improved health and physical fitness. No one would advocate a shorter pro-

gram for our youth. In fact, our leaders expect the youth to stay in school and point to education as a greater necessity than ever. Let the schools reflect the needs of the hour.

Thus, we define our purposes as America hastens the defense of democracy.

Teachers

Amherst retained this year all of the previous year's staff. Their names are not included here as they are already listed in the financial section of the school report. Holding power reflects favorably upon the district and leads to greater continuity of training on the part of the pupils.

Pupil Achievement

Last May we made rather extensive use of a testing program to determine where our pupils stood with respect to others of the same grade or age in other communities, and to determine our needs for emphasis during the current year. Below you will find a summary of the results by grades:

Grade	Grade Standard	Amherst Median
2	2.8	2.9
3	3.8	4.0
4	4.8	4.4
5	5.8	5.2
6	6.8	7.3
7	7.8	8.6
8	8.8	8.9
9	9.8	10.0 +

An explanation of the table may be appropriate. The first column indicates the grade tested in May 1940. The second column shows the progress in the grade the pupils should score as a minimum or 2.8 means the eighth month of grade 2. The third column gives the actual scores of the eight grades tested; as 7.3 or third month of the seventh grade.

If a grade score is lower than the standard, then there is a weakness evident and a need for emphasis.

These results are, on the whole, very good. Two grades scored below the grade standard; six, above. In these two grades, Arithmetic was up to standard but Reading, Social Studies and Spelling scores fell below. Stress upon these subjects this year may eliminate these difficulties.

Financial Information

It is my impression that the following figures taken from recent State Board of Education reports reveal the financial burden in your community as compared with others.

Current Cost of Public Education per \$1,000 of Equalized Valuation 1939-1940

District	Total Current	State Aid	Net Cost
Mont Vernon	\$ 8.48	\$	\$8.48
Milford	9.99		9.99
Amherst	10.25	1.10	9.15
Brookline	11.05	2.34	8.71
Hollis	12.50	1.29	11.21

The elementary per pupil cost for the year 1939-1940 for this Union are: Amherst \$73.28, Brookline \$54.95, Hollis \$68.23, Milford \$64.53, Mont Vernon \$117.48. The state median is \$81.85.

The per pupil costs of high school in this Union and neighborhood are: Amherst \$80.69, Hollis \$102.29, Milford \$69.18, Marlborough \$90.87, Jaffrey \$101.01, Peterborough \$112.20, Wilton \$117.31. The state median is \$105.23.

Suggestions

My suggestions are largely tied up with the budget. Some painting needs to be done at the High School building. You will note a request for funds in the budget. I hesitate to suggest other expenditures, yet to keep abreast of the times calls for out-

lay. The belief is common that the age demands more vocational education in the schools. As plans for improvement of facilities for physical education go forward, I trust some opportunity for greater educational service may be included so that vocational education for both boys and girls may be offered.

For immediate consideration, I refer you to the recent difficulty with the heating system at the High School building. I have been told many times that the present system has outlived its usefulness and that steps should be taken toward replacement. The School Board has labored for a number of years to keep the present boiler in condition but the ever-recurring repairs are only temporary due to the nature of the difficulties. The expected final breakdown may happen at the most inconvenient time in so far as school operation is concerned. Therefore, it would seem advisable to consider financing a new heating system for the High School building.

Appreciations

I am duly grateful to an interested School Board, to a loyal staff and to a cooperative citizenry for the successful and useful year just past. I hope that the children for whom our efforts have been directed have made the most of their opportunities. If so, we have re-doubled courage to carry on and improve conditions as we see them and have the finances to complete.

I submit the above as my second annual report, the thirty-second in the series.

Very respectfully,

HAROLD C. BOWLEY,
Superintendent of Schools.

February 5, 1941.

STATISTICS FOR 1939-1940

Average number of half-days in session	354
Whole number of different pupils registered:	
Girls 103; Boys 99; Total	202
Enrollment by grades: I-16; II-19; III-22;	
IV-20; V-24; VI-18; VII-20; VIII-16;	
IX-16; X-8; XI-13; XII-10; Total	202
Average daily membership in high school	45.08
Per cent of attendance in high school for year	96.96
Average membership in elementary schools	142.40
Per cent of attendance in elementary schools for year	94.62
Per cent of attendance in all schools for year	95.18
Number of cases of tardiness in high school	51
Number of cases of tardiness in all schools	184
Number not absent nor tardy during school year	10
Average salary of women high school teachers	\$1025
Average salary of elementary teachers	\$933.33
Number of visits made to schools by:	
School Board members	78
Superintendent of Schools	176
Citizens (including special occasions)	250
Number of School Board meetings held	11

High School Graduates—June 1940

Robert Balch	Hope Glover
Dorothy Bryant	Freida Hare
Edith Converse	Lydia Hoeg
Beatrice Douglas	Randolph Kruger
Edmund Duguie	Shirley Trombly

Pupils Completing Elementary School—June 1940

Allbon Austin	Helen Miles
Robert Bragdon	Jean Pestana
Jane Bryant	Mary Louise Sawyer
Priscilla Charron	Roger Weston
Dorothy Dion	Glendon Wiles
Alberta McShinsky	Lucy Wilson
All Entered Grade IX at Amherst, September 1940	

Perfect Attendance for School Year 1939-1940

Robert Balch, Lucille Baribeau, Paula Bliss, Edmund Duguie, Viola Hanson, Stanley Hubley, Shirley Merrill, Roger Underwood, Shirley Underwood, Gladys Weston.

ENROLLMENT AS OF JANUARY 31, 1941

Amherst High School

Grades	9	10	11	12	P,G,	Totals
Boys	5	7	1	5	1	19
Girls	7	7	7	6		27
Totals	12	14	8	11	1	46

Enrollment as of January 31 for the past ten years:

46, 42, 46, 46, 41, 47, 58, 56, 64, 48.

Elementary Schools

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Totals
Boys	6	3	10	12	6	11	10	8	66
Girls	8	5	10	6	12	9	8	6	64
Totals	14	8	20	18	18	20	18	14	130

Enrollment as of January 31 for the past ten years:

146, 141, 144, 145, 140, 133, 147, 150, 128, 153.

Total number of pupils in Amherst schools	176
Elementary tuition pupils at Milford, Jan. 31, 1941	12
Elementary tuition pupils at Merrimack, Jan. 31, 1941	7
Grand Total, including tuition pupils as of Jan. 31, 1941	195

RETURN OF SCHOOL CENSUS

September 1940

Edith Parker, Enumerator

Number of boys enumerated 5 to 16	88
Number of girls enumerated 5 to 16	104
Total enumerated 5 to 16	183
Number 5 to 8 not in school	7
Number 8 to 14 not in school	1
Number 14 to 16 not in school	1
Number 5 to 16 registered in Amherst schools	
September 30, 1940	179
Number 5 to 16 living in district but attending elementary school elsewhere	23
Number 6 to 16 living in district but attending high school elsewhere (pays own tuition)	1

REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

To the School Board of Amherst:

The following is my annual report of the medical inspection made in October 1940.

Number examined: Pupils 175; Teachers 6;

Number not present 3.

Defects Found	Number of Cases
Anaemia	1
Nervous Condition	2
Cardiac Disease	6
Pulmonary Disease	1
Defective Teeth	48
Diseased Tonsils	18
Enlarged Glands	4

Respectfully submitted,

OSCAR BURNS, M. D.,

School Physician.

February 17, 1941.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

To Mr. Harold C. Bowley, Superintendent of
Schools:

This covers the health work done in the Amherst schools.

A tabulated report of the annual medical inspection done by Dr. Burns, School Physician, will appear. Defects were recorded and notices sent to parents.

The usual successful dental clinic was sponsored by the Amherst Parent-Teacher Association every Thursday during the month of February 1940.

The vision tests will be made next month throughout the schools and all defects will be brought to the attention of the parents.

Several cases of communicable diseases have evidenced themselves and it has been necessary to exclude some pupils from school.

Immunization for whooping cough have been carried out by the school physician.

In closing, please accept my thanks for splendid cooperation in the school health program.

Respectfully submitted,

NAOMI LANOUILLE, R. N.,

School Nurse.

February 13, 1941.

HEADMASTER'S REPORT

To the School Board, Superintendent of Schools, and Citizens of Amherst:

I herewith submit my fourth annual report.

There were forty-four pupils registered in Amherst High School when the fall term began on September 4, 1940, distributed as follows: ten seniors, eight juniors, 14 sophomores, and 12 freshmen. In addition there were 14 in grade VIII and 20 in grade VII, making a total enrollment of 78 in grades VII-XII. Since that time one post-graduate, one senior, one junior, and one seventh grader have entered and three members of grade VII and one junior have left so that the total registration as of January 31, 1941 was the same as at the beginning of the school year with 46 in grades IX-XII and 32 in grades VII-VIII. This is a decrease of one from last year.

Due to the epidemic of colds, grippe, and influenza during the early winter, the attendance record to date has been slightly below that of last year. I feel certain, however, that the record for the entire year will compare favorably with that of past years.

There were no changes in the teaching staff during the year so that Miss Bertha Piper teaches History, Latin, and Mathematics; Miss Evelyn Copeland, English and French; Mr. James Lovenbury, Biology, Economics, Advanced Mathematics, and Science; and your Headmaster, General Mathematics, Physiography, and Geography.

The social and extra-curricular activity program this year has been a continuation of the type of program I feel desirable in the school of a small community. A school party was held Hallowe'en, following along the lines of such parties being held in larger towns and cities on that evening. The feeling existed that children attending such a party

might feel less inclined to resort to mischievous pranks which might result in real damage to property. The party was a marked success and those in charge have concluded that another year, it would be desirable to include members of the lower grades provided the assistance of some of the adult community organizations could be obtained.

In November, in line with the practice of past years of presenting a high type of dramatization, the play "Anne of Green Gables" was presented to a large and enthusiastic audience. Many new faces appeared in this year's cast and a great deal of credit goes to Miss Copeland, the faculty coach, for her part in the splendid performance of such a fine play.

Armistice Day was observed with Mr. P. J. Potter, Commander of the Milford Post of the American Legion, as guest speaker. In December an alumni party was held but the small number of alumni attending makes it seem advisable to discontinue such gatherings until some time in the future.

Other activities have included a snow party at the Amherst Ski Tow where free use of the tow was provided by Mr. Orson Bragdon and free transportation by Mr. Malcolm Clark; a movie and samples of ice cream by the Hood company through the courtesy of Mr. Harold Cutting; a hike and weinie roast at the home of Mr. Edward Long; and the showing of several reels of both sound and silent movies.

The Triple Entente Association continues to function as the heart of the school activity program. This organization, composed of all members of grades VII-XII, sponsors all dances, parties, sports, and trips, and takes the place of class organizations so prevalent in most schools. I feel that the T. E. A. functions more efficiently than a large number of smaller organizations could possibly do, and that,

through participation in it, the pupils learn the need for responsibility, initiative, and tolerance so necessary in this day when so many democratic institutions are being subjected to severe testing which in some cases they fail to survive.

Basketball for both girls and boys has been continued this year in spite of the handicap of a hall too small to provide a playing court more than one-fourth the size of that specified for high schools. In addition spectators have to sit, or in most cases stand, on the playing court, and there are no sanitary facilities and only the poorest of heating arrangements. We still have hopes for improved facilities.

The girls' team has had its best season for many years, winning over Hollis twice, Hancock, Weare, and Raymond to date, while losing one each to Hancock, Weare, Raymond, and the Alumnae. The boys, while not quite as successful, have defeated Hollis, Weare, and the Alumni, losing to Weare and Hollis once, and to Raymond and Hancock twice. Two games with Antrim remain to be played. Miss Copeland has served as girls' coach while Mr. Lov-enbury has had the training of the boys.

In addition to being used for basketball, the Wigwam has served as a gymnasium for physical education of grades V-VIII for four periods each week during the winter months.

This year a slight change has been made in connection with teachers' meetings. These meetings are held monthly and at each meeting one member of the teaching staff serves as chairman and guides the discussion of one of the fundamental subjects such as reading, from its beginning in grade I through its various stages up to and including grade XII. Actual teaching methods are demonstrated and an effort is being made in this way for every teacher to know what is being done in the entire

school in each of the subjects which he teaches. The goal of more effective teaching by each teacher thus seems nearer at hand and teachers are growing in their willingness to give the best they have to the children.

During these days of great uncertainty and severe strain and suffering in so many parts of the world, each of you should ponder the situation which may exist, even does to some extent today, right here in your own country, state, and town. As prices and taxes go up and up, you who are responsible in a large part for the future of the children of America must see to it that provisions for child education are not side-tracked in favor of less worthy activities.

National defense means more than defense against material things alone, such as guns, airplanes, parachute troops, bombs. There must be moral, mental, physical, and spiritual preparation, a defense to fight unseen enemies, poverty, sickness, laziness, intolerance, so that the true spirit of Democracy, that spirit under which the United States were founded, that spirit which enabled our forefathers to live and carry on despite untold sufferings and hardships, may continue to be an integral part of the American people. Move forward, not backward! Do not side-step! Keep your educational standards high and live Democracy as well as talk it!

And now may I thank the members of the teaching staff for their close cooperation, help, and encouragement during the year. Each teacher has the interest of the children foremost in his mind and heart and each has spent ceaseless hours to give his best to his profession and to the children of Amherst. And to our janitor, Mr. Phelps, may I extend my sincere appreciation as well as that of the teachers and pupils, for his untiring efforts to keep the

physical plant in good condition so that all the school can work and play under safe and sanitary surroundings.

In closing may I express my sincere thanks to the members of the School Board and to Superintendent Bowley for their valuable assistance and patience. Their willingness and cooperation are a source of extreme gratitude to me at all times.

And to you citizens of Amherst who are trying to make Amherst and New Hampshire "safe for Democracy," thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

GORDON R. AYER,

Headmaster.

February 11, 1941.

VITAL STATISTICS

For Year Ending December 31, 1940

MARRIAGES

Date, Name, Age, Residence of Parties, By Whom Married.

- March 23, Ralph Thibeault, 24, Fitchburg, Mass. and Irma Ruth Rintala, 23, Fitchburg, Mass. by Zebina B. Kemp, Justice of the Peace, Amherst, N. H.
- March 30, Harold Lincoln Goodwin, 31, Leominster, Mass. and Doris Marie Clapper, 25, Leominster, Mass. by Zebina B. Kemp, Justice of the Peace, Amherst, N. H.
- May 5, Roy Leon Keith, 50, Amherst, N. H. and Ethel Blanche Simpson, 37, Amherst, N. H. by Zebina B. Kemp, Justice of the Peace, Amherst, N. H.
- May 30, Corlis Francis Trombly, 25, Amherst, N. H. and Helen Frances Cunningham, 25, Manchester, N. H. by Robert Quirk, O.S.B. Goffstown, N. H.
- June 26, Lendal Wesley Harding, 63, Gloucester, Mass. and Amy Luedna Hayward, 58, by John E. LeBosquet, Amherst, N. H.
- June 29, Perley Putnam, 26, Milford, N. H. and Catherine Arnold, 26, Amherst, N. H. by John J. Belluscis, Milford, N. H.
- July 7, Harry Levine, 28, Framingham, Mass. and Rose Thresa Leone, 21, Natick, Mass. by Zebina B. Kemp, Justice of the Peace, Amherst, N. H.
- July 15, Aimo Emil John Aalto, 26, Fitchburg, Mass. and Doris Elizabeth Valiton, 20, Fitchburg, Mass. by Amos F. Chase, Amherst, N. H.
- August 31, Ernest George Webster, 22, Lowell, Mass. and Joyce Eileen Pickup, 18, Lowell, Mass. by Albert W. Derbyshire, Fitzwilliam, N. H.
- September 7, George Finley Fox, 25, Bennington, N. H. and Carolyn Marjorie Small, 23, Amherst, N. H. by Wm. D. Armitage, Manchester, N. H.
- September 20, Carl Sumner Merrill, 21, Amherst, N. H. and Barbara Ann Murphy, 20, Amherst, N. H. by Zebina B. Kemp, Justice of the Peace, Amherst, N. H.
- October 7, David Edward England, 24, Lowell, Mass. and Gladys Mae Carman, 18, Lowell, Mass. by Amos F. Chase, Amherst, N. H.
- October 13, Hugh Arnott Fisher, 31, Amherst, N. H. and Bertha Etta Palmer, 30, Ayer, Mass. by Zebina B. Kemp, Justice of the Peace, Amherst, N. H.

November 2, Joseph Arthur Cormier, 21, Lowell, Mass. and Mary Margaret Holland, 19, Lowell, Mass. by Zebina B. Kemp, Justice of the Peace, Amherst, N. H.

December 21, George Homer James, 45, Somerville, Mass. and Delcie Beckman Taylor, 44, South Lynnfield, Mass. by Zebina B. Kemp, Justice of the Peace, Amherst, N. H.

Report of Marriage received from out of town.

June 1, Leroy William Davis, 28, Amherst, N. H. and Patricia La-Mont Bowen, Milford, N. H. by Charles Wesley Casson, Lynn, Mass. (with Special License).

BIRTHS

Date, Name of Child, Name of Father, Maiden Name of Mother
August 28, William Richard Holt, William Richard Holt, Mina Isabelle Elliott.

Children born to Amherst Residents as reported from other towns.

February 19, Joan Elizabeth Blair, James Blair, Elizabeth Signy. Nashua, N. H.

February 29, Edward Charles Roby, Edward C. Roby, Marguerite Alice Pendleton, Nashua, N. H.

June 9, Albert Henry LeFrancois, Jr. Albert LeFrancois, Axilda St. Germaine, Manchester, N. H.

June 23, Nancy Lorena Muncil, Morton Harold Muncil, Estella L. Martin, Goffstown, N. H.

June 26, Patricia Ethel Hanson, Loren Everett Hanson, Eudine Eva Muncil, Goffstown, N. H.

November 1, Manford Fred Adams, Clarence H. Adams, Mabel Alice Chamberlain, Goffstown, N. H.

November 2, Marilyn Phyllis Green, John Chase Green, Hazel Nellie Davis, Nashua, N. H.

November 19, Ronald Bernard Piper, Bernard F. Piper, Helen Theodora Fall, Nashua, N. H.

DEATHS

Date, Name, Age, Name of Father, Maiden Name of Mother

- January 24, Hattie Velena Daniels, 73 yrs. 8 mo. 19 days, Ira Chase, Hattie M. Alexander.
- January 27, George Charles Grasset, 57 yrs. 4 mo. 21 days, Charles Grasset, Rose Wells.
- January 28, Basile Joly, 81 yrs. 2 mo. 10 days, Joseph Joly, (?) DeChame.
- February 29, Ugo Nichol Silverii, 15 yrs. Joseph Silverii, Laura Disferie.
- March 18, Patrick Doyle, 85 yrs. 1 day, John Doyle, Julia Brennan.
- May 1, Marion Matilde Young, 75 yrs. 2 mo. 18 days, George Smith, Marion (?)
- May 4, William C. A. Ottersberg, 72 yrs. 5 mo. 8 days, Nicolai Ottersberg, Wilhelmine Schliskewitz.
- May 11, James Henry Atkinson, 69 yrs. 9 mo. 19 days, Robert Atkinson, Ann Bethel.
- June 23, George Claud Ripley, 67 yrs. 6 mo. 23 days, George Ripley, Mary (?)
- August 18, Ellen Marie Brown, 84 yrs. 5 mo. 5 days, Samuel Goldsmith, Lydia Putnam.
- October 27, Edwin Freeman Bills, 64 yrs. 10 mo. 1 day, Arthur A. Bills, Mary Bradford.
- November 8, Barbara Theus Moser, 83 yrs. 10 mo. 17 days, Stephen Theus, Barbara Voneschen.
- November 11, Myra Woodman Stinson, 68 yrs. 8 mo. 13 days, Henry Clament, Myra Woodman.
- November 16, Herbert L. Patterson, 66 yrs. 9 mo. 10 days, Alfred Patterson, Elizabeth Augherton.
- November 27-28, Elmer Alden Seabury, 76 yrs. 5 mo. 28 days, Alden B. Seabury, Mary Varney.
- December 7, Eleonor Milner, 97 yrs. 11 mo. 12 days, John DeLong, Jerusia West.
- December 22, Cora M. Nichols, 83 yrs. 11 mo. 17 days, Hiram B. Taylor, Charlotte M. (?)

In addition to the above the following persons have been brought from out of Town for Burial:

Joseph Rossiter, Milford, N. H., Agnes Martin, East Deerfield, Mass., Josephine Colletta, Leominster, Mass., Samuel L. Cassidy, Milford, N.H., John Leroy Gilson, Milford, N.H., Cornelius O'Leary, Nashua, N. H., Charles A. Philbrick, York, Maine, Alice O. Carpen-

ter, Boston, Mass., Eva B. Briggs, Waltham, Mass., Eugenie Dube
Milford, N. H., George Gilbert Small, Concord, N. H., Andrew E.
Dutton, Milford, N. H., Lena Duval, Goffstown, N. H., Sally Ann
Miles, Nashua, N. H., George Secombe, Goffstown, N. H., Horace
P. Phelps, Onondaga, New York, John F. Johnston, Goffstown,
N. H., John Albert Hanson, Hollis, N. H., Manford Fred Adams,
Goffstown, N. H., Howard Odell, Haverhill, N. H., Lillian A. Miller
Chelmsford, Mass., Harry E. Smith, Somerville, Mass.

I hereby certify that the above records are true to the best of
my knowledge and belief,

Z. B. KEMP,
Town Clerk, Amherst, N. H.

